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MEMORANDUM FOR EACH GARRISON EMPLOYEE

SUBJECT: Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Accident Reduction Campaign

1. Reference: USARC Memo, subject: Army Reserve Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Accident Reduction Campaign Plan, dated 15 June 2005.
2. Above reference requires that each installation develop a POV accident reduction campaign designed to quell the recent alarming trend of escalating accidents and fatalities. Through the mid-point of FY 05, 9 USARC soldiers have lost their lives in POV crashes putting USARC on track to experience the highest number of POV accidents in the last 5 years. In an effort to insure Devens RFTA personnel do not become part of these statistics, the following actions will be taken:
 - a. Prior to a 3 day holiday weekend, supervisors will conduct a safety briefing for their personnel with special emphasis on seat belt usage, drinking and driving and the rules of the road.
 - b. The DOD Police, in conjunction with the Safety Office will run periodic Click It or Ticket campaigns.
 - c. The standards regarding the operation of motorcycles on the installation (i.e., training and the wearing of protective clothing and equipment) will be strictly enforced. Operators not in compliance with the regulatory requirements will not be allowed to operate on the installation.
 - d. The DOD Police will operate periodic OIU (Operating Under the Influence) checkpoints of vehicles entering the installation for the purpose of looking for signs of a driver operating under the influence of alcohol.
 - e. All personnel required to drive Army Motor Vehicles (to include GSA vehicles) will complete Accident Avoidance Training every four years. In addition, all personnel will attend Winter Driving Classes on an annual basis.
 - f. All personnel will be properly trained and licensed for every vehicle they operate. The Safety Office is the licensing authority and they can assist in the conduct of appropriate training.
 - g. The Safety Office will periodically distribute materials, which promote safe vehicle operation. Supervisors will insure the widest dissemination of these materials.

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h. The Army Community Services Office will periodically distribute materials detailing the dangers of drinking and driving. Supervisors will insure the widest dissemination of these materials.

3. I ask each of you to take an active role in this campaign and keep our personnel safe.

4. The point of contact is Barbara Reichert. She can be reached at DSN 256-2159, COMM (978) 796-2159 or via e-mail at Barbara.reichert@devens.army.mil.


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